

Accessing ACRES after Registration

The ACRES system is accessed through the EPA website, and each user is required to have an approved **User ID** and **Password** in order to log in.

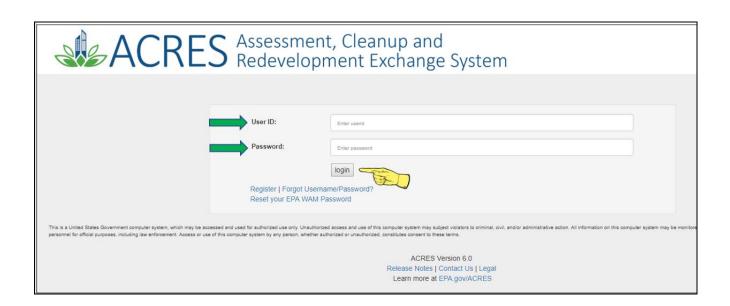


<u>NOTE</u>: If you have not already registered with the EPA and created an ACRES User ID and Password, please see the **ACRES Registration for New Users** Quick Reference Guide.

Logging into ACRES

Follow the process below to access ACRES and log into the system.

- 1. Open your Internet Browser and enter the following URL: https://acres6.epa.gov
 - a. You can add the ACRES URL to your browser Favorites by selecting CTRL +D on your keyboard.
 - b. Select or change the Folder.
 - c. Select Done.
- 2. Enter your ACRES User ID and Password that you set during the EPA registration process.
- **3.** Select the login button.



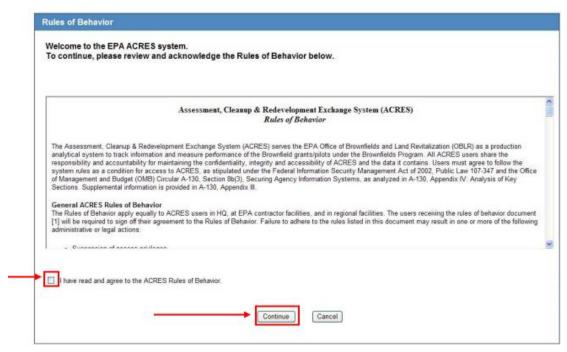


First Time Logging into ACRES

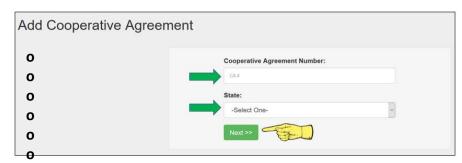
If this is your first time logging into ACRES, you will be prompted with two 'one-time' actions:

1. The first action is to read and accept the ACRES Rules of Behavior.

Once read, select the checkbox to indicate you have read and will comply with the Rules of Behavior for ACRES.



- 2. The second prompt associates you with a **Cooperative Agreement** number and a **State**.
 - o Enter the eight-digit Cooperative Agreement (CA) number.
 - Click the arrow to display the dropdown menu, then select the State in which the CA is located.
 - o Select the Next >> button.





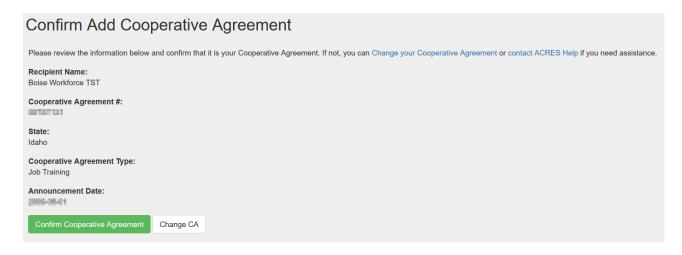


<u>NOTE</u>: When entering your eight-digit CA number, **exclude** the two-letter prefix and any amendment numbers. Each CA number can be used more than once, allowing for multiple users for each CAR organization.

Do NOT include the two-letter prefix or any amendment numbers when entering your eight-digit CA number:



- o The Confirm Add CA screen displays.
 - o Verify the CA information selected.
 - Select the Confirm Cooperative Agreement button.



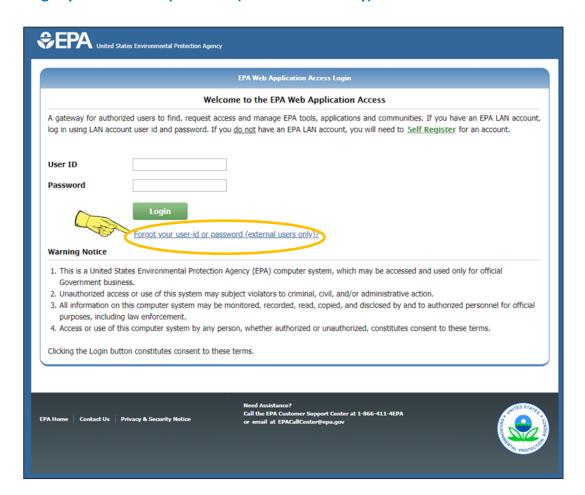


Forgot your ACRES Username/Password

If you need to change or cannot recall your ACRES User ID and/or Password, select the **Forgot Username/Password?** link on the login page.

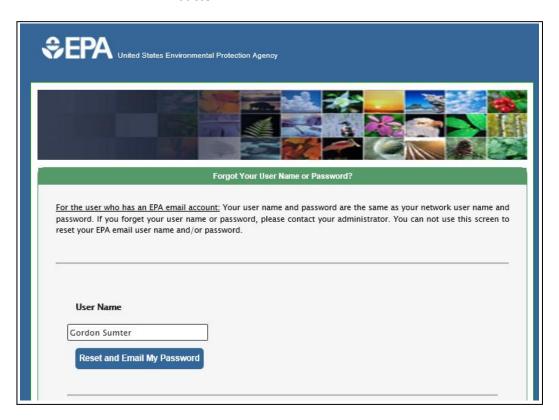


You will be directed to the **EPA Web Application Access Login** screen (below), where you will select the **Forgot your user-id or password (external users only)** link.

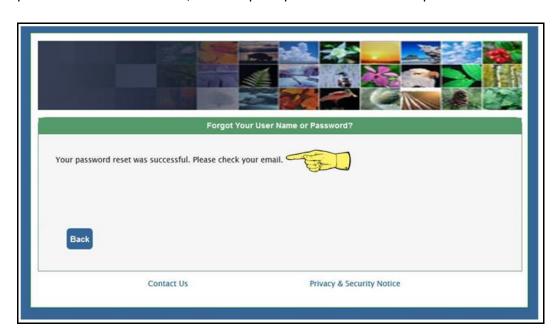




For a **forgotten password**, enter your ACRES **User ID** in the **User Name** field, then select the button.

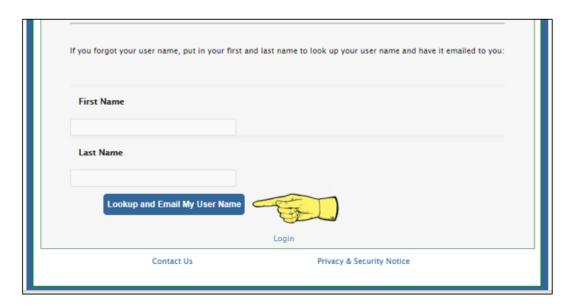


The screen will indicate your password was successfully reset. You will receive an email with a *temporary* password to access ACRES, then be prompted to create a new password.

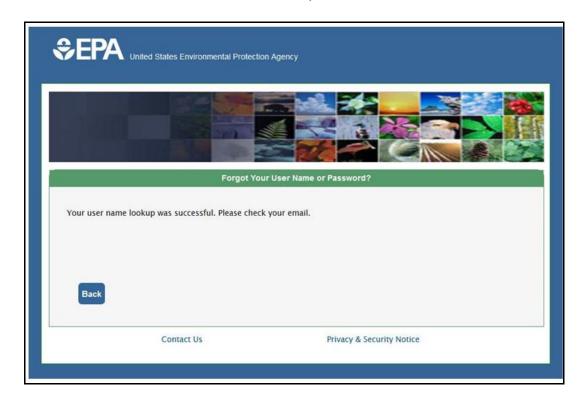




For a forgotten **User ID/Name**, enter your **First Name** and **Last Name** in the corresponding fields, then select the **Lookup and Email My User Name** button.



The screen indicates your password was successfully reset. You will receive an email which will include your current ACRES User ID.





Pop-Up Blockers

If your browser's '**Pop-up blocker'** settings prevent ACRES from opening when you select the link to access ACRES, follow these steps:

- 1. Right-click on the yellow message bar or the prompt at the top of the screen that indicates a pop-up has been blocked.
- 2. Highlight and left-click or select the "Always Allow Pop-ups from this Site" option.
- 3. Click **Retry** on the dialog box to launch the application window.

A Few Important Notes

- **o** You will be prompted to change your password **every 90 days** in accordance with EPA security policy.
- Do not attempt to register for ACRES more than once.
- **o** If you would like to report activities under a CA that differs from the one you registered with the EPA, just log in as usual and add the new CA to your ACRES user profile.
- **o** If new funding has been added to your CA, but the number has not changed, you can continue reporting accomplishments for the CA.
- o If you need to check to see if you are registered for ACRES (or not), please contact the ACRES Help Desk, by email at ACRES_Help@epa.gov, or by phone (703)-284-8212.

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